

The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

Executive Department State of Idaho State Capitol Boise

WHEREAS, the good health and general well-being of the people of Idaho is enhanced by our strong commitment to supporting the stepfamilies of Idaho in their mission to create strong family environments; and

WHEREAS, approximately half of all Americans are currently involved in some form of stepfamily relationship; and

WHEREAS, Idaho has been blessed by thousands upon thousands of loving stepparents and stepchildren who are daily reminders of the joys, trials and triumphs of stepfamily life; and

WHEREAS, Idaho is pleased to join with the nation in celebrating the many valuable contributions stepfamilies have made enriching the lives and life experiences of the children and parents of America;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim September 16, 2004, to be

STEPFAMILY DAY

in Idaho.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this ninth day of September in the year of our Lord two-thousand and four and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-ninth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred fifteenth.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE GOVERNOR

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SECRETARY OF STATE